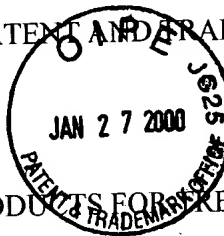


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before calculating the filing fee, please amend claims 9-13, 22-25, 34, 52-53, and 60-61 as follows:

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9. (Amended) The method of claim[s] 1 [-8] wherein the subject has a condition predisposing the subject to a *Pseudomonal* infection.

10. (Amended) The method of claim[s] 1 [-8] wherein the subject has a *Pseudomonal* infection.

11. (Amended) The method of claim[s] 1 [-8] wherein the subject has a defective cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator gene.

12. (Amended) The method of claim[s] 1 [-8] wherein the polysaccharide is administered systemically to the subject.

13. (Amended) The method of claim[s] 1 [-8] wherein the polysaccharide is administered by inhalation to the subject.

B² 22. (Amended) The pharmaceutical preparation of claim[s] 14 [-21] wherein the pharmaceutical preparation is sterile.

23. (Amended) The pharmaceutical preparation of claim[s] 14 [-21] wherein the pharmaceutical preparation is formulated in a unit dosage in an amount effective for treating *Pseudomonal* infection.

24. (Amended) The pharmaceutical preparation of claim[s] 14 [-21] wherein the pharmaceutical preparation is formulated as an aerosol for inhalation.

25. (Amended) The pharmaceutical preparation of claim[s] 14 [-21] wherein the pharmaceutical preparation is formulated as an injectable preparation.

B³ 34. (Amended) The composition of matter of claim[s] 26 [-33] wherein the lipid has the following structural formula: $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{COOH}$ wherein $n=1-50$.

B⁴ 52. (Amended) The method of claims 44 [-51] wherein the bioactive agent is covalently coupled to the polysaccharide.

53. (Amended) The method of claim[s] 44 [-51] wherein the bioactive agent is contained in a liposome comprising a lipid biocompatible with a human subject, and wherein the polysaccharide is covalently coupled to the lipid.

B⁵ 60. (Amended) The composition of claim[s] 54 [-59] wherein the anti-*Pseudomonal* drug is an antibiotic.

61. (Amended) The composition of claim[s] 54 [-59] wherein the anti-*Pseudomonal* drug is selected from the group consisting of Amifloxacin; Amifloxacin Mesylate; Amikacin; Amikacin Sulfate; Aminosalicyclic acid; Aminosalicylate sodium; Azlocillin; Azlocillin Sodium; Bacampicillin Hydrochloride; Carbenicillin Disodium; Carbenicillin Indanyl Sodium; Carbenicillin Phenyl Sodium; Carbenicillin Potassium; Carumonam Sodium; Cefaclor; Cefadroxil; Cefamandole; Cefamandole Nafate; Cefamandole Sodium; Cefapareole; Cefatrizine; Cefazaflur Sodium; Cefazolin; Cefazolin Sodium; Cefbuperazone; Cefdinir; Cefepime; Cefepime Hydrochloride; Cefetecol; Cefixime; Cefmenoxime Hydrochloride; Cefmetazole; Cefmetazole Sodium; Cefonicid Monosodium; Cefonicid Sodium; Cefoperazone Sodium; Ceforanide; Cefotaxime Sodium; Cefotetan; Cefotetan Disodium; Cefotiam Hydrochloride; Cefoxitin; Cefoxitin Sodium; Cefpimizole; Cefpimizole Sodium; Cefpiramide; Cefpiramide Sodium; Cefpirome Sulfate; Cefpodoxime Proxetil; Cefprozil; Cefroxadine; Cefsulodin Sodium; Ceftazidime; Ceftibuten; Ceftizoxime Sodium; Ceftriaxone Sodium; Cefuroxime;

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Cefuroxime Axetil; Cefuroxime Pivoxetil; Cefuroxime Sodium; Cephacetrile Sodium;
Cephalexin; Cephalexin Hydrochloride; Cephaloglycin; Cephaloridine; Cephalothin Sodium;
Cephapirin Sodium; Cephradine; Cetocycline Hydrochloride; Cetophenicol; Chlortetracycline
Bisulfate ; Chlortetracycline Hydrochloride ; Ciprofloxacin; Ciprofloxacin Hydrochloride;
Colistin Sulfate; Coumermycin; Coumermycin Sodium; Doxycycline; Doxycycline Calcium;
Doxycycline Fosfatex; Doxycycline Hyclate; Droxacin Sodium; Enoxacin; Epicillin;
Epitetracycline Hydrochloride; Imipenem; Kanamycin Sulfate; Meclocycline; Minocycline;
Minocycline Hydrochloride; Nafcillin Sodium; Norfloxacin; Ofloxacin; Oxytetracycline;
Oxytetracycline Calcium; Piperacillin Sodium; Pirbenicillin Sodium; Tetracycline; Tetracycline
Hydrochloride ; Tetracycline Phosphate Complex; Ticarcillin Cresyl Sodium; Ticarcillin
Disodium; Ticarcillin Monosodium; Tobramycin, and Tobramycin Sulfate.

Respectfully submitted,



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